

McAuliffe ends 'exemplary' career, receives medal

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ROME, N.Y. — Daniel J. McAuliffe, chief of the Air Force Research Laboratory Information Grid Division, retired recently after a 36-year federal career.

A native of Liberty, N.Y., who joined the staff of the former Rome Air Development Center (RADC) in 1964, McAuliffe was presented with Exemplary Civilian Service Medal by Raymond P. Urtz, director of the AFRL Information Directorate. He was also presented with a letter of congratulations from President Clinton.

A Department of the Air Force certificate of appreciation was given to McAuliffe's wife, Kathleen.

McAuliffe has held numerous positions through the years at RADC, Rome Laboratory and, since 1997, the Air Force Research Laboratory. As chief of the Information Grid Division, he was responsible for planning and directing the research and development activities of approximately 110 civilian and military scientists, engineers, administrative, and support personnel located in Rome, N.Y., and at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

The Information Grid Division conducts research and development to enable the exchange of information throughout a global information grid. This division's areas of investigation include distributed information systems, defensive information warfare, and connectivity.

McAuliffe is a member of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association and a senior member of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He has served as chairman of the Department of Defense Technology Sub-Panel for Seamless Communications and as national leader, U.S. Delegation to the Communications Sub-panel under the Technical Cooperation Program.

He has also been a member of the Advisory Board of the State University of New York Institute of Telecommunications and the New York State Advisory Council on Telecommunications.

McAuliffe, who has published more than 20 technical papers and been an invited speaker at numerous conferences and symposia, was elected a Rome Laboratory Fellow in 1997. @